

## DETAILED ACTION

### ***Reason for Allowance***

1. Claims 1 and 3-8 are allowed.
2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Claims 1 and 3 are allowable over the prior art of record since the cited reference taken individually or in combination fails to particularly disclose the following italic limitations:

In claim 1, *the path controller configured to predict a post-migration path extending from the correspondent terminal to a transfer device to which the mobile terminal will probably be connected after migration of the mobile terminal, and compare a pre-migration path extending from the correspondent terminal to a transfer device to which the mobile terminal has been kept connected before the migration and the predicted post-migration path to determine a transfer device serving as the switchover point* and in combination with other limitations recited as specified in claim 1.

Claims 4-8 are allowable over the prior art of record since the cited reference taken individually or in combination fails to particularly disclose the following italic limitations:

In claims 4, 7, and 8, *the path controller configured to recognize a pre-migration path between a mobile terminal and a correspondent terminal based on location information of the mobile terminal and the correspondent terminal and the plurality of pieces of path control information; the path controller configured to predict a post-migration path between the mobile terminal and the correspondent terminal based on the location information of the mobile terminal after the migration, the location*

*information of the correspondent terminal and the plurality of pieces of path control information; and the path controller configured to determine a transfer device serving as a switchover point of the path based on the pre-migration path and the post-migration path and in combination with other limitations recited as specified in claims 4, 7, and 8, respectively.*

4. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance.

#### **Conclusion**

5. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Jung Park whose telephone number is 571-272-8565. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Fri during 6:15-3:40.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Edan Orgad can be reached on 571-272-7884. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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